Civic Committee Monthly Meeting Minutes August 1, 2017

Attendance: Ed Rohrbach, Harold Kalmus, Mick Fitzharris, Carol Larson, and Al Marks.

Meeting Call to Order: The meeting was convened by Co Chair, Ed Rohrbach, at 7:34 P.M. at the BWVC.

Minutes: Last month Civic Meeting minutes approved as presented.

Green Plan

Carol and Ed are in the process of identifying current plants on Green and designing a plan with replacement plants. Ed's concept for the green is to have the middle of Green including Little Lane to be an open space. As current trees die off, he would like to replace them with rows of same species on sides of Green to create an impressive alley effect. Some plantings he suggested for the alley effect would be a group of sugar maple on one side of Green and a group of elm on the other side. Need to plant far enough from the wires so they do not get tangled within wires.

Old Business

Status of Work-In-Progress:

- Field Theater Path waiting for Cropper to find time in his schedule to pave theater isle. He needs to schedule work when it is not rented. Liz will provide schedule to group and Harold will let Cropper know availability, but he will still need to check right before he comes out, just in case a booking came after schedule was provided.
- Pavilion: Ed is working on design. Ed looked at pre-fabs that are available in all different sizes. One had nice open truss work at the gable ends and it was made of red cedar (no maintenance). He suggest to install it with the Gable end facing the Highway.

Shelter – Ed needs to speak with BWVC. Shelter sold on Rte. 40 right after split of Rte. 13 & Rte. 40 (located on left hand side of road)'.

- Overflow garden needs to be carefully trimmed. No weed whacking. Suggest mulching around the base.
- Fence repair at the stile and along Millers Rd. Most of the fence is falling down because the base is rotted out.

Fence at Millers Rd. and Marsh Rd. Recommend concrete post to replace old wooden post for durability. First need to lower bank where water builds up on the

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road. Place a little lower than road and cover with stones, which would diversify water (sheet flow).

• Carol needs to call arborist about trimming Fels oak. She needs recommendations (Bartlett).

Work completed:

- Pump path was paved half way and the other half covered with gravel.
- Arrows painted one way outside of steak shop on Sherwood Rd.
- Hillside Road & Orleans post holes filled.
- Carol pulled poison ivy on the Milky Way path.

Paths – In the past, Civic's reports provided for the Town Assembly reminded residents that they are responsible for maintaining the paths adjacent to their leaseholds. Consider inserting this reminder periodically in Civic Town Assembly report.

Trees

Leaning maple planted near stiles needs to be removed.

Tree Stewardship Policy - Ed will make a draft of a tree proposal of his important points and then he will present to Carol to review for recommended standards.

Roads

<u>5 K</u> sent permit to Civic and Ed verified he received it. Al spoke to Sue, the organizer of the 5K, and informed her that the Village does not want any paint on roads and wants them to be responsible for cleaning up any mess they create.

Hold Harmless agreement. The group is concerned about liability for the town. Ed will talk to Jeff about a letter of holding the Village harmless of any liability. Indemnify. No Charge.

Budget: Request same amount as this year. No increase.

Adjourn meeting at 8:58 P.M.

Respectfully submitted Elizabeth Resko Village Secretary

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